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ANTON ART CENTER TO HOST TWO NEW EXHIBITS IN SEPTEMBER: 'ANNUAL ARTIST CHOICE SHOW' AND 'WORKS BY CHRISTINA HAYLETT'

Mount Clemens, MI – September will mark an exciting month for the Anton Art Center with two celebrated exhibits set to take over the Center's two gallery floors in early September through October 16, 2025.

The Anton Art Center's first floor gallery will feature the Annual Artist Choice Show, an exhibit of nearly fifty selected original artworks by members of five prominent area art organizations with pieces in a range of art mediums, including oil paint, pastel, watercolor, acrylic, mixed media, sculpture, and more.

Participating groups include the Lakeside Palette Club of Saint Clair Shores, Mount Clemens Art Association, Romeo Guild of Art, Shelby Township Fine Art Society, and Warren Tri-County Fine Arts, Inc. New and existing members of these groups are invited to enter up to two original works for jurying on Wednesday, August 20, 12-5pm. This opportunity is open to all media, sizes, and themes. Details at www.theartcenter.org/artist-opportunities.

The juror for this exhibition is Martine MacDonald. Martine is an award-winning multi-media artist. A graduate of Wayne State University, her work is shown in local galleries and in private and corporate collections. Throughout her career, Martine has worked in teaching, curating, arts writing, arts administration, as well as studio practice. She is currently an adjunct faculty in arts and humanities at Wayne County Community College District. (More: www.martinemacdonald.com).

Cash awards will be presented to outstanding contributors during the Opening Reception & Awards Ceremony on Saturday, September 6 from 1-3pm with refreshments provided. This special event provides an opportunity to engage with artists, enjoy the exhibition, and celebrate the vibrant local arts community.

The Anton Art Center's second floor gallery will feature Works by Christina Haylett, a solo collection featuring a variety of original paintings and new collage works by the artist.

Christina shares, "I just like to paint. I love color, pattern, and texture. The subject matter varies from realism to non-objective. There is an emotional context in my work, varying from playful and happy to maybe a little odd or creepy. My art is therapeutic. I have decided to let the work be what it wants to be."



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She continues, “I think of my abstract pieces as mindscapes. On these, I am working from the inside out. My landscapes and figurative work represent what I am seeing. No matter what the subject, the act of creating something gives me a sense of joy I cannot duplicate any other way.”

All are invited to join us at the Opening Reception & Artist Talk on Saturday, September 13 from 1-3pm with refreshments provided. Admission is free with both events open to the public Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10am to 5pm. The Anton Art Center is located at 125 Macomb Place, Mt Clemens, MI 48043.

Visit us online at www.theartcenter.org or call 586-469-8666 for more information. The Anton Art Center (AAC) is a registered nonprofit organization with a mission to provide access to experiences that enrich all people through creative expression. Business hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10am-5pm; admission is free and open to the public. Metered lot and street parking is available; free after 6pm and on weekends.

The AAC was founded in 1969 in the historic Carnegie Library building in walkable downtown Mount Clemens, Michigan. Our funders include the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs, Erb Family Foundation, and National Endowment for the Arts.

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“Annual Artist Choice Show” Sample Images



Martine MacDonald, Annual Artist Choice Show 2025 Juror.



Gallery view, Anton Art Center.



Gallery view, Anton Art Center, Annual Artist Choice Show Opening Reception event, 2024.



Exhibition graphic, Annual Artist Choice Show.



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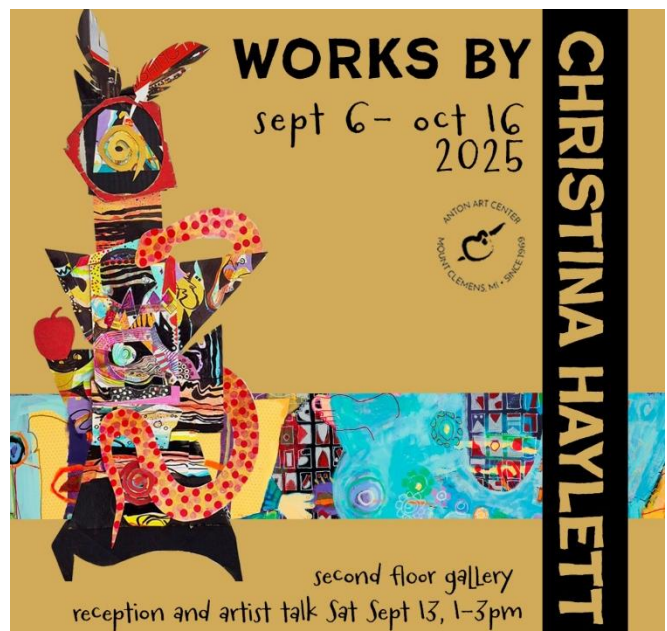
Artist Christina Haylett, 2025.



“Ta da! This is Your Life”, Mixed media on panel, Christina Haylett.



“Lend Me a Hand”, Mixed media, Christina Haylett.



Exhibition graphic for ‘Works by Christina Haylett’, 2025. Anton Art Center.